

St. Marys River Binational Public Advisory Council (BPAC)

Meeting Agenda

Place: Cisler Center (LSSU)
Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan

When: August 31st, 2011
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

1. Call to order/introductions

2. Approval of minutes

December 8th, 2010
June 20th, 2011

3. Business arising from previous minutes

- Does anyone have the Dec 8th minutes? Should they remain on the Agenda?

4. Office Reports

- Applying for Sault Michigan watershed implementation funding through the DEQ
- Preliminary notice to NOAA for potential Ashmun Bay habitat restoration
- Funds available to hire a student for this school year
- Office project is mainly to discuss alternatives to rock cut project
- Summer Activities: had a table at Soo Michigan Home Show, Sidewalk sales and plan to have one at Oktoberfest

5. Agency Reports

- 4 – Agency Update (discussion on delisting criteria if possible)
- RAP Coordinator Update

6. Memberships

- For new members, applications must be received & prospective members present for confirmation – standard procedure.

7. Presentation

- Presentation by the EPA/AECOMM about the Consumer's Energy/MCM Marine remediation project that is slated to begin open water sediment removal this month.

8. Public Comments

9. New Business

- DEQs assessment of the aesthetics BUI for michigan side
- Some needed work on our delisting criteria for michigan side
- Little rapids project can now commence and is being run through the EUP Regional Planning Commission
- Develop our workplan for the upcoming year coming fall, winter, spring
- The upcoming Thunder Bay Workshop

10. Next Meeting

- Date and place to be determined

11. Adjourn